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Docket No. 1946/1G906-US2

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In re Application of: William E. BAY; Rajesh K. AGARWAL; Kiran CHAUDHARY; Shingai MAJURU; Michael M. GOLDBERG; and JoAnne P. RUSSO

For: **DISODIUM SALTS, MONOHYDRATES, AND ETHANOL SOLVATES FOR DELIVERING ACTIVE AGENTS**

CONTINUING APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of a continuation application of the following pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/962,794 Filed: September 24, 2001

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This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/962,794, filed September 24, 2001, which is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/US00/09390, filed April 5, 2000 and published in English as International Publication No. WO 00/59683, which claims the benefit of U.S. patent application Serial No. 60/127,754, filed April 5, 1999; U.S. patent application Serial No. 60/186,143, filed March 1, 2000; U.S. patent application Serial No. 60/186,142, filed March 1, 2000; and U.S. patent application Serial No. 60/191,286, filed March 21, 2000.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed (along with a copy of the original Declaration). No amendments identified in the declaration for this prior application introduced new matter. Please use this copy as the application and declaration for the present case.
2. The filing fee is calculated below:

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4. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

5. The prior application is assigned to: Emisphere Technologies, Inc.

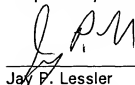
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